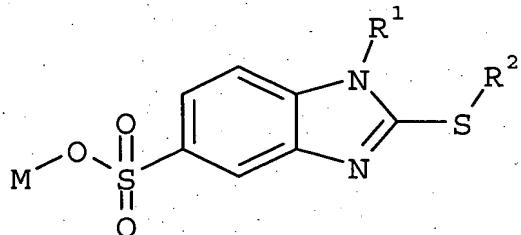
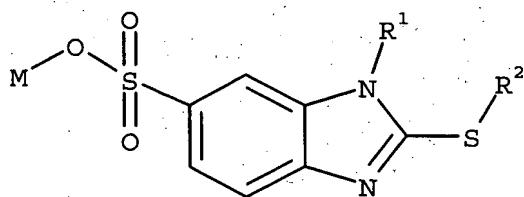


## ABSTRACT

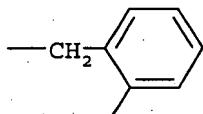
A compound represented by formula (I):



or a compound represented by (II):



or a mixture of at least one compound represented by formula (I) with  
10 at least one compound represented by formula (II), wherein M is  
hydrogen, an alkali atom or an ammonium group; R¹ is hydrogen, a



$-(\text{CH}_2)_m\text{SO}_3\text{M}$  group or a  $\text{MO}_3\text{S}$ ; R² is an alkyl-, alkenyl- or  
alkynyl- group having 6 to 25 carbon atoms; and m is an integer  
between 1 and 5; the use of at least one compound represented by the  
15 above-mentioned formula (I), at least one compound represented by the  
above-mentioned formula (II) or a mixture of at least one compound  
represented by the above-mentioned formula (I) and at least one  
compound represented by the above-mentioned formula (II) as a  
surfactant; and a photographic material comprising a support and a  
20 layer containing photosensitive silver halide, characterized in that  
the photographic material contains at least one compound represented  
by the above-mentioned formula (I), at least one compound represented  
by the above-mentioned formula (II) or a mixture of at least one  
compound represented by the above-mentioned formula (I) and at least  
25 one compound represented by the above-mentioned formula (II).